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SOVIET RECOGNISES FOREIGN DEBTS.

FAMINE RELIEF NECESSITY.

LONDON, October 30.
The Soviet has notified Lord Curzon of its willingness to recognise foreign debts incurred before 1914, owing to the decision of Brussels famine relief committee that aid to starving Russians must be conditional on Soviet recognition of such debts. The Soviet however makes a proviso that it must be given special conditions and facilities enabling payment of which it declares an absolute condition is stoppage by the great powers of all acts menacing the security and integrity of the Soviet and the Far Eastern republic. The Soviet urges the summoning of an international conference to negotiate and discuss debts.

ALLIES DEMAND KARL'S SURRENDER.

BRITISH FLOTILLA READY.

VIENNA, October 30.
A note has been handed to the Hungarian Foreign Minister jointly by the British, French and Italian representatives at Budapest demanding delivery of Karl to the commander of the British flotilla at Budapest and the immediate proclamation of the former king's forfeiture of his throne.

BOY SCOUTS.

SAIYINGPUN SCHOOL TROOP.

INAUGURATION CEREMONY YESTERDAY.

The inauguration ceremony of the Saiyungpun School Boy Scouts (7th Hongkong Troop) was held on the University Football ground, Pokfulam, yesterday afternoon in the presence of a large gathering of the parents and friends of the boys, including Mr. Ho Kom-tong, the Patron of the Troop.

The boys in their neat khaki uniforms, presented a smart appearance on parade, and well drilled, were a credit to their school.

The ceremony opened with the "General Salute" on the arrival of the Commissioner, the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave, who inspected the Troop drawn up in double files.

After the inspection, the Troop formed fours and marched past, the Commissioner taking the salute from a position under the flagstaff from which floated the Union Jack. The emblems of other nations also figured in the scheme of decoration of the ground, the five bars of the Chinese Republic occupying a prominent position amongst them.

Following the march past, the Troop gave a very creditable display of figure formation, picking out the following figures "7th H.E.T.", "Mr. H. K. T." (the initials of the Patron), and "S. Y. P." Some Chinese characters were also formed. The boys were well applauded for their performance, which reflected much credit on the training they had received at the hands of their Scoutmaster.

The Troop then again lined up "two deep" and took the interesting Scouts' Oath of "thrift" etc. This part of the ceremony was followed by the receiving of honours.

Three sides of a hollow square were then formed, from the centre of which the Commissioner addressed the Troop. He congratulated them on their smart appearance and creditable performance that afternoon, and dealt on the importance of the Scout movement.

Mr. Ho Kom Tong then presented the Troop flag and distributed badges—tenderfoot, signalling and other Scoutcraft—to the successful candidates.

An interesting part of the ceremony was the repeating of the Scout Laws, which are too well known the world over to require any repetition here.

Cheers for the Commissioner, Mr. Ho Kom Tong, and the guests were then called for and lustily given.

The singing of "God Save the King" brought the proceedings to a fitting close.

Tea and cakes were served on a lavish scale on the ground during the afternoon.

It was an interesting and instructive afternoon for all, and when the ceremony was concluded, many lingered behind to see the Troop march away to be dismissed at the school.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVALS.

Taming, (B. & S.) from Hilo, Manila.—C. 34.
Mentor, (B. & S.) from Liverpool, Singapore.—Wharf.
Lee Sang, (J. M. & Co.) from Bangkok, Hoikow.—C. 36.
Foonshing, (J. M. & Co.) from Bangkok, Swatow.—C. 17.
Sirkiang, (B. & S.) from Shanghai, Amoy.—B. 12.
Suiyang, (B. & S.) from Canton.—B. 9.
Hanyang, (B. & S.) from Hongay.—B. 49.
Cagilliere, (M. M. Cie) from Shanghai.—A. 1.
Kaiping, (Sing Kee) from Haiphong, Pakhoi.—C. 21.
China, (China Mail S.S. Co.) from Singapore.—A. 3.
Apus, (Struthers & Dixon) from San Francisco, Shanghai.—Wharf.
Busho Maru, (O. S. K.) from Keelung.—C. 45.
Batavia Maru, (O. S. K.) from Shanghai, Sandakan.—A. 32.
Kaijo Maru, (O. S. K.) from Keelung, Swatow.—Wharf.
Seiyo Maru, (T. K. K.) from Valparaiso, Hongay.—Han. 1.
Daito Maru, (Suzuki & Co.) from Singapore, Saigon.—C. 46.
Wa Sun, (Pak Kong) from Shanghai.—Wharf.
King Oa, (Mow Sang Tong) from Hoikow.—C. 39.
Tai Lok, (Yee Tai Hong) from Chefoo.—B. 15.
Wah Hang, (Wing Hang) from Kwongchow, Macao.—Wharf.
Kwangshih, (C. M. S. N. Co.) from Canton.—C. 41.
Hwah Kan, (G. Grimbale & Co.) from Port Paracel.—Kowloon Bay.

CLEARANCES.

Opaxet, (Admiral Line) for Yokohama, Portland.—30th.
Einan, (B. & S.) for Swatow, Amoy.—30th.
Taiyo Maru, (T. K. K.) for Keelung, San Francisco.—30th.
Kaifong, (B. & S.) for Hoikow, Haiphong.—30th.
West Galera, (Struthers & Dixon) for Shanghai, San Francisco.—30th.
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Hampusan Maru, (M. B. K.) for Hongay.—30th.
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Wah Hang, (Wing Hang) for Kwong Chow Wan.—30th.
Cordillera, (M. M. Cie) for Saigon, Marcellus.—30th.
Mo Hon, (Hip Fat) for Swatow.—31st.
Ikoman Maru, (M. B. K.) for Hongay.—31st.
Balavia Maru, (O. S. K.) for Japan.—31st.
Tai Lok, (Yee Tai Hong) for Fookow.—31st.
Hanyang, (B. & S.) for Canton.—31st.
Choy Sang, (J. M. & Co.) for Canton.—31st.
West Galera, (Struthers & Dixon) for Manila, New York.—31st.
Mentor, (B. & S.) for Shanghai.—31st.

THE DOLLAR.

To-day's closing rate 2/3 1/8.
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WASHINGTON CONFERENCE ASSEMBLING.

MOBILISING WORLD INTELLECT.

HAVER, October 30.
The French delegation to Washington sailed on the liner "La Fayette". M. Boulay, the Minister of Justice, will take charge of the premiership and Foreign Ministry in the absence of M. Briand.

JAPANESE DELEGATION.

SAN FRANCISCO, October 30.
The Japanese delegation to the Washington Conference headed by Baron Kimura, also the trade delegation under Viscount Shibasawa, arrived on the liner "Shinyo Maru."

FRENCH PREMIER'S HOPES.

PARIS, October 30.
M. Briand, interviewed prior to his departure from Havre, declared that he expected valuable results from the international mobilisation of intellects and goodwill at Washington. He agreed with President Harding that it was much better to debate than to fight and it was much better to work in the open. Formerly one tried to divide in order to rule. They would try to unite in goodwill in order to make peace reign.

MOTOR ACCIDENT.

CAR TOPPLES OVER BANK AT SHI WAN GAP.

THREE PEOPLE INJURED.

AMERICAN SAILOR'S LEAP FOR SAFETY.

Three people were injured, one seriously, in a motor accident which occurred near the junction of the new Cape D'Aguliar motor road with the Shaikwan Stanley Road yesterday afternoon.

Three American sailors from the U. S. Flagship "Huron" hired motor car No. 297 from the Watchai Garage for a trip round the Island via Shaikwan. While descending the first incline after leaving the Shaikwan tram terminus, the car, for some reason still unknown, suddenly swerved to the right, and climbing over a low bank at the side of the road, fell a distance of some ten feet into a ditch. The car toppled over on its right side, throwing its occupants heavily into the ditch. Two of the Americans and the Chinese driver were injured. The other American who leapt from the car as soon as an accident appeared inevitable, was unhurt excepting for a few scratches received in his fall. The other two injured Americans were too badly hurt to move, and their comrade carried them to the top of the ditch and rendered first aid at the roadside.

An Indian coastguard who arrived shortly afterwards hastened to the Shaikwan Police Station. Inspector Lannigan and the European Sergeant immediately proceeded to the scene with first aid equipment.

However, as the police had to walk some distance from the Station to the scene of the accident, they found on arrival nothing but the broken bank and bits of iron, the car having been removed on a motor lorry sent out by the Watchai Garage immediately news of the accident was received from the French Hospital.

Meanwhile a Dragon Garage car containing another party of Americans came along the road and picked up the occupants of the wrecked car.

The two Americans were taken to the French Hospital at Causeway Bay, the one in a serious condition, suffering from spinal injuries. The other, who was badly shaken and stunned by the fall, is suffering from numerous minor injuries which should soon mend.

The driver was taken to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from shock. He should soon recover. The third American was none the worse for his alarming experience and was able to return to the ship.

The body and wheels of the car were damaged beyond repair.

Pooler, (Hing Shun) for Kwong Chow Wan.—31.
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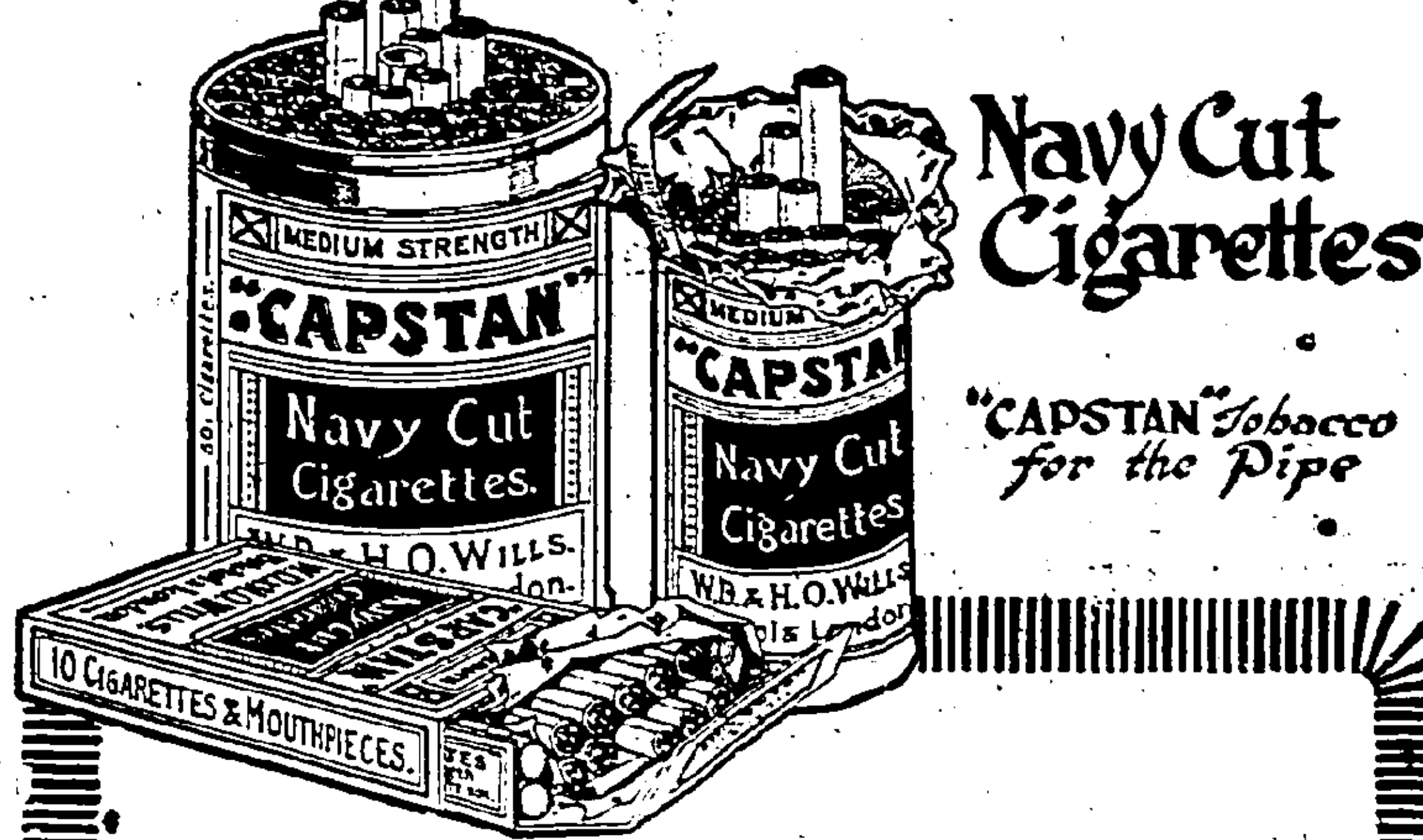
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Unwin, 15s.), proves that late events
have rushed at such a pace that even
those who were alive, as it were, yester-
day, seem far away. Three of Mr.
Raymond's models, however, still
live—Mr. Balfour, Lord Rosebery,
and Mr. Thomas Hardy.Lord Rosebery is Mr. Raymond's
first sifter.
At Eton he is said to have declared
to a class of his three great ambitions—
to marry a great heiress, to win the
Derby, and to become Prime Minister.
That would seem enough for most
men, without being Prime Minister
twice. But the real drama of Lord
Rosebery, it was then said (after the
great Liberal victory in 1905), had
ended in the 'nineties when he laid
down the Liberal leadership at
Edinburgh in a speech which remains
as one of the most concise and
mournful monuments of political
failure. The rest was merely an
epilogue.Of a man of no speech but great
action Mr. Raymond says:
Personally, Rhodes was not, indeed,
without a vein of vulgarity. He had
a passion for diamonds and a con-
tempt for women; he loved not merely
appreciation but flattery of the grosser
kind; he was strangely content with
the companionship of quite inferior
men; he was not exempt from that
very bad failing, a tendency to bully
those who were in no position to re-
taliate. . . . But no Beit or Bar-
nato could ever tell when his mater-
ialism or his mysticism would pre-
dominate.Mr. Raymond paints two more Pre-
miers. Of the first he says, "If
there was one man in England for
whom religion was a reality, it was
Mr. Gladstone." Of the great Con-
servative leader: "Lord Salisbury
died in the unhappy certainty that all
his attempts to satisfy Germany had
failed of their purpose."The late Duke of Devonshire:
The young fellow of the 'nineties
saw simply a large, dull man, with a
large, dull way of talking, a man
incapable of saying a witty thing or
doing a picturesque thing.And in some ways, no doubt, the
young fellow was right.
Of Herbert Spencer: "How much
he would have gained or lost by an
occasional thrashing, balanced by
Gulliver and the Arabian Nights, is a
question for curious speculation."In a chapter which they share
Mr. Chamberlain was no doubt a
marvel of demagogic art. . . . Mr.
Balfour was firmly convinced of the

SAD ACCIDENT.

MR. SMEATON'S UNTIMELY
DEATH.A singular and distressing accident
occurred on the French Bund, Shang-
hai on Thursday evening last Oct. 21
resulting in the death of Mr. Thomas
Gibb Smeaton, of Messrs. Jardine,
Matheson & Co.Mr. Smeaton was on his way home,
in company with a friend, and had the
intention of boarding a tram car
starting from a point near the French
Consulate. The pavement here is
littered with huge paving stones; in
some places they were in piles, and
along other parts of the side walk
they lay singly, being thus not only
an inconvenience to pedestrians but,
as the unfortunate event proved,
dangerous, especially as, at the time
of the accident (about 7.30), this
particular spot seems to have been
badly lighted.Seeing the tram-car approach,
Mr. Smeaton started to run for it.
His friend shouted a warning to him to
beware of the paving stones, but just
at that moment Mr. Smeaton tripped
and fell heavily to the ground. It
was seen at once that he had sustained
severe internal injury and he was con-
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port department, and in this office
he displayed singular ability which
led him to rise very quickly. Mr.
Smeaton was a member of the
Shanghai Scottish, and also of St.
Andrew's Society, and was one of the
stewards at the last ball. He leaves
a wife and two young children, for
whom the deepest sympathy will be
felt.The deceased was buried with
military honours.foolishness of moving at all, except in
the manner known as marking time.
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in papers seized by the Federal
authorities at New York while in-
vestigating the doings of Charles W.
French and seven other persons who
were arrested on charges of fraud.Confessions obtained after the
collapse of the Michigan Avenue
Trust Company indicate that the
American financial markets were to
be deluged with millions of bad notes,
stolen bonds, and bogus trust deeds.
Banks and business houses from the
Atlantic to the Pacific were to be
duped. Securities to the value of
£240,000 have been recovered out of
a total of £1,500,000 stolen.

SEIZED DOCUMENTS.

According to documents seized
the sum of £125,000,000 was to be put
into the London office of the proposed
organisation while scores of building
companies were being organised in
Canada and America. It is stated
that many prominent London invest-
ors were approached, the name of Mr.
J. B. Morgan being used as a bait,
but this was dropped when Mr.
Morgan denied all connection with
the project.The scheme originated in a mush-
room corporation called the American
Rubber Company, started in a dingy
shop in East 63rd-street, New York,
under French's management. Scores
of bogus companies were floated in
various cities, and thousands of
people were persuaded to invest their
savings in them. French set up
elaborate headquarters at the Waldorf
Hotel, and lavishly entertained pro-
spective investors.The names of the concerns which
were to be deluged before the eyes of
British investors include the Pacific
Steel, Pacific Coal Company, Pacific
Trust, Pacific Guarantee Company,
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Company, and the Pacific Realty
Company.Among the papers seized was a
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hundreds of British and American
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MARRIAGES.

RENDALL—RIGBY.—On October 22, 1921, at Shanghai, Arthur George Rendall, youngest son of the late Dr. Rendall, of Maiden Newton, Dorset, and of Mrs. Rendall, of The Limes, Farnham, and Kathleen La Mothe (Betty), elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Kendall Rigby, of 11 Southwick Place, Hyde Park, W.

The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE."

HONGKONG, MONDAY, OCT. 31, 1921.

THE BANK.

Next to Confucius, probably the greatest man in the proper sense of human greatness that China has produced is Dr. Wu Ting-fang. His remarks at the opening of the new building for the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank at Canton give us a double-barrelled sensation. They bring home to us two apparently antithetical reactions—one that Dr. Wu is old enough to remember the beginning of the Bank, the other that the Bank is young enough to have its beginning remembered by a man still living. The second is more striking than the first, as an emotion, for we have long been accustomed to think of the Grand Old Man of China as an evergreen, venerable above most statesmen. Somehow it comes as a shock to realize that the Bank as an institution is so comparatively young. It is so identified with everything embraced by the term

prefer to invest in the shares of this Bank. Another feature to be noted in its greatness is that, as the Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen pointed out, the Bank has no politics. It has a giant's strength, but it does not use it "like a giant," tyrannously. We have learned, to our sorrow, to associate such mighty influences elsewhere with political meddling, with octopus-like clutching, with misuse of privilege. The Hongkong & Shanghai Bank has clean hands in this matter. It is honest. Its functions are legitimate, and it exercises them fairly. It is fitting that it should have a seemly home in that great and greater growing city Canton, the home of all that stands for honest and seemly government in China.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

One case of scarlet fever, British, was reported on Saturday.

Messrs. Hughes and Hough advertise the sale of a quantity of furniture for to-morrow afternoon, also the sale of travelling rugs, blankets, etc.

Further reduction in the price of butter is advertised by the Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Co., Ltd. "Daisy" brand is now \$1.25 per lb.; "Dairymaid" \$1.15 per lb.

Among local residents who returned to the Colony by the Blue Funnel steamer "Mentor" on Saturday were Dr. and Mrs. Aubrey, Mr. G. W. Barton, Mrs. H. A. Cartwright and children, Mrs. Shenton, and Mrs. Eustace.

The Warwick Company's advance agent states that no play will be presented on the evening of November 11 owing to the British Legion Armistice Day celebration. With this exception, the Company will play from the 9th to the 19th as originally intended.

Official visits were exchanged on Saturday between Admiral Strauss, Commander-in-Chief of the U. S. China fleet, who arrived here aboard his flagship the "Huron," and H. E. the Governor, Commodore Bowden-Smith and the G. O. C., Lieut.-General Sir G. M. Kirkpatrick.

Sir Paul Chater arrived in Shanghai by the Admiral Line steamer "Silver State" on Monday afternoon last week from Hongkong. Other passengers by the same steamer were Mr. L. P. O'Driscoll, Dr. H. Fowler, Dr. Paul Martin, Mr. H. de Vault, Mr. H. S. James and Mrs. T. S. D. Wade.

Mr. C. H. Shields, Commissioner of the Chinese Postal Administration at Shanghai has been decorated with the Second-Class Order of the "Chia Ho," bestowed on him for valuable services rendered to the Chinese Republic. Mr. Shields, who is a son-in-law of Mr. Alexander Stevenson, manager of the North British Distillery, Edinburgh, is a native of Helensburgh, and has just completed twenty-five years' service with the Chinese Government. This is one of the highest honours bestowed on foreigners by the Government of China. Formerly Mr. Shields was Postal Commissioner at Canton.

GERMANS LOSING TRADE.

CAN'T DELIVER GOODS.

An American news item dated Washington, August 29, says:—German competition in the field of foreign trade is showing signs of weakening. Secretary Hoover said today. The Germans are having difficulty in handling business obtained through their attractive price quotations.

In particular, the secretary explained, the Germans are finding it impossible to produce goods up to their pre-war quality, and are unable to execute large numbers of contracts. In Argentina, he said, the Germans were compelled to throw up a contract for large quantities of steel which they could not deliver.

RANGOON LIGHTS CHANGED.

The Harbour Master (Lieutenant Conway Hake R.N.R.) has received the following telegram from the principal Port Officer at Rangoon:—

October 28.—"China Bakir light, a white fixed and flashing light in lat. 16° 17' N. and long. 96° 11' E. will be exhibited with effect from 1st November, 1921. A black can buoy showing flashing light will be placed in lat. 16° 07' N. and long. 96° 05' E., approximately."

October 29: Reference my telegram Oct. 23 the buoy which was to have been placed in lat. 16° 07' N. and long. 96° 05' E. will not now be placed.

CHINA'S DISUNITY.

CANTON WANTS EQUAL CHANCE.

APPEAL TO THE POWERS.

STRIKING INTERVIEW WITH DR. WU TING-FANG.

"The powers must withdraw recognition from the Peking Government and if they do not grant it to the Canton Government to prevent further friction they should leave the two factions on equal terms to struggle for the upper hand."

As he uttered these words with intense conviction, Dr. Wu Ting-fang, Canton Government Minister of Foreign Affairs, leaned forward earnestly, his dark eyes glowing and his pointed forefinger trembling. The veteran Chinese statesman was speaking to a *China Mail* reporter, following the opening ceremony of the new Shanghai branch of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on Saturday morning. In the course of an able speech complementing the Bank on its enterprise, he had referred to China's political troubles, remarking that Canton was anxious for unity but would only accept honourable unity under a proper government. Our representative had accordingly asked him how he proposed to achieve that unity.

"We want a government with modern ideas," continued Dr. Wu Ting-fang, "a democratic government, an honest government."

"But how will you achieve that?" pressed our representative.

"The Chinese almost without exception favour good, honest, democratic government," replied Dr. Wu Ting-fang. "All we ask is that you give us a chance. We want the powers to withdraw recognition from the Peking Government so that we shall be placed on level terms with the North. The world can then see which government the people favour."

"Most of the provinces, while nominally owing allegiance to Peking favour the Canton cause. At the moment they do not consider it safe to declare their real views openly, but if the powers withdraw recognition from Peking we should soon see which government the people would trust, and in less than a year China would be united once more. So long as the powers continue to recognise Peking so long shall we have perpetual struggle and strife in China."

"Of course, if the powers withdraw recognition from Peking and granting it to Canton, but if that is too drastic and they still refuse to recognise us, I suggest that they at least place us on the same footing," added Dr. Wu Ting-fang. "Is that not fair?"

"But you would still have the Peking militarists," said our representative. "How do you propose to achieve unity with them still in power in the North?"

"We have the means," replied Dr. Wu Ting-fang with a smile. "They are intelligent people who understand where their best interests lie. We can talk to them, we can convince them. Besides, they are not foreigners. They are Chinese. We can settle it if we are left alone. The great point is, withdraw recognition first of all and place us on level terms. But I think if you do not recognise us it will mean the present unsettled conditions continued indefinitely."

His attention having been drawn to Lord Northcliffe's message to the *Times* published in the *China Mail* the previous day, Dr. Wu Ting-fang observed that the distinguished visitor was a powerful man with a great personality. There was no doubt about that. "When he visited Canton he had a long conference with me but he did not commit himself to much expression of opinion regarding the Canton viewpoint. He is a very careful man. However, what he did say largely coincided with our view. It was an agreeable surprise to learn that he opposed renewal of the Japan alliance. A little while ago I was in favour of the treaty myself but I have now come to hold the opposite view. Six months ago I favoured the treaty; now I say it is no good. If it is renewed it will only be a source of friction and perhaps it will be impossible to avoid war."

"It follows that if the alliance remains between England and Japan, China will sometime make an alliance with a third power to protect her own interests. The war showed the danger of alliances. But for alliances there would have been no war. If you are not selfish and you treat other nations fairly, what need is there for alliances? When a nation contracts an alliance it creates suspicion among the other nations."

Commenting Lord Northcliffe's example in visiting Canton before passing judgment on its government, Dr. Wu Ting-fang said that before foreigners condemned Canton they should come and see for themselves. Then they should then go to Peking and note the difference.

PRINCE OF WALES.

VISIT TO HONGKONG.

COMMITTEE'S PROGRAMME APPROVED.

H. E. the Governor has received a telegram from the Secretary of State to the effect that H. R. H. the Prince of Wales has approved the programme drawn up by the Committee appointed to make arrangements for his visit in April.

The programme is as follows:—

Thursday April 6.

10 a.m. Ceremonial Landing.

H. R. H. will proceed to a place to be settled on where addresses will be presented.

H. R. H. will afterwards proceed to Government House.

11.30 a.m. H. R. H. will hold a reception at Government House.

4.30 p.m. H. R. H. will take part in a game of polo.

8 p.m. A banquet will be given by H. E. the Governor after which H. R. H. will proceed through the city to view the illuminations and will witness a Chinese Procession from a stand in Royal Square.

Friday April 7th.

H. R. H. will make a tour in the New Territories in the early part of the day.

1 p.m. H. R. H. will attend a luncheon to be given by the British Legion, and will afterwards proceed to the Happy Valley Race Course where a small race-meeting will take place.

7 p.m. H. R. H. will attend a banquet to be given by the Chinese Community and at 9 p.m. will be entertained by the general community.

During his visit opportunity will be found for H. R. H. to receive an Honorary Degree from the University of Hongkong, to drive round the Island, to visit the Peak, and to see school children and boy-scouts.

A meeting of the Committee, which drew up the programme, will be held at an early date when an Executive Committee will be appointed for carrying the programme into effect.

"And that applies to the people of Hongkong who condemned us without thought," he continued severely. "Mr. Ross told Hongkong people that this government was not permanent, it would finish in a day, but he never came to see for himself. That was too bad."

Dr. Wu Ting-fang was reminded that Hongkong's Governor was in the North when the offending proclamation was issued.

"Yes," he replied, "but then the Hongkong Governor only said that he did not approve of the wording of the proclamation, he did not condemn the issue of the proclamation at all. He should have gone further: he should have condemned it as unfair to a neighbouring government. In the Straits Settlements the Chinese were allowed to hold demonstrations. Is not Singapore a British colony? America allowed Chinese to send money to us openly."

Reverting to the larger question of China's disunity, Dr. Wu Ting-fang said that Canton was receiving substantial assistance from Chinese living abroad. They contributed according to their wealth, realising that the Southern Government had "no selfish ambitions and had no axe to grind."

"At present seven provinces are favourable to us; besides half a dozen promising us aid. Others who will come in are waiting to see how the wind blows."

Our representative made an attempt to induce Dr. Wu Ting-fang to discuss the proposed expedition against Peking only to receive the smiling reply "We are not going to tell you our secrets."

By allowing the people of Kwangsi to govern themselves after conquering the province, the Canton Government had given an example of the enlightened methods it intended to employ.

"What we want," added Dr. Wu Ting-fang, "is a good government, a sound government—a democratic government like that of the United States or Britain, the last without a king of course."

"But supposing you do not get recognition," inquired our representative, "what line of action are you going to follow?"

"If we do not get recognition the present friction will continue," replied Dr. Wu Ting-fang. "I do not know for how long. It might be for one, two, three or four years. If you withdraw recognition from Peking you will facilitate the unity of China."

"And if not?"

"We shall probably fight," he added gravely. "And then we shall see who will get the upper hand."

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SPORT.

SATURDAY'S FOOTBALL.

POLICE v. "TAMAR."

Played on the Navy "B" ground. Pease started the game and a good run down the left wing saw Valentine shoot wide. From the kick "Tamar" got away, and were awarded a free kick against Forbes for fouling. Swan cleared. "Tamar" came again but Hutton put over the bar. They again attacked, Mc Walter clearing at the expense of a corner, from the resulting kick Atkey put behind. Immediately after another corner was awarded and Atkey again receiving beat Swan with a low shot. Following the restart Police made a determined effort to equalise, shots from Watson and Valentine keeping Mitch busy but he kept the goal intact. "Tamar" came again and a good movement was spelt by Atkey being offside. They came again and the Police defence had to concede a corner which being nicely placed, was received by Hutton who beat Swan with a first timer.

Half time: "Tamar" 2, Police 0.

Resuming the Sailors were again prominent, but Heap shot behind. Following the goal kick Police got going and simply bombarded the "Tamar" goal, but they could not score, Mitch being in fine form. Mid-field play followed broken only by a run down by "Tamar" forwards, and Swan in attempting a save from Atkey fell and hurt his face. Full time arrived with the score unaltered.

Referee, Mr. Pearce.

Police were unlucky to lose as they had quite as much of the game as "Tamar" did, but they were unfortunate in front of goal. Atkey at inside left and Mitch in goal were the outstanding players for "Tamar." For the Police Valentine and Watson did some good work and some of their shots at goal should have materialised.

S.C.A. v. CAIRO.

Played on the Chinese ground before a very large crowd of spectators. Play was delayed for a quarter of an hour whilst the Chinese spectators were "persuaded" to get off the field of play.

Chinese kicked off and made tracks for the "Cairo" goal but Matthews cleared, and Stevenson gaining possession they were soon testing Lau Hing Cheung, who cleared. "Cairo" came again but hands relieved. Play continued to be in favour of the Sailors but the Athletic defence was safe. Half time arrived with the score sheet blank.

Resuming the "Cairo" got away but Chan So cleared with a hefty kick. Following a bombardment, Matthews handled in the penalty area. Chan So took the kick, beating Bishop with a fast low shot. From the kick off the Chinese came again and Bishop was called on to save shots from Au Kit Sang and Ip Kan. Sailors obtained possession but were unable to get by the Chinese backs, Chinese came again and Matthews in attempting to clear again knocked the ball down with his hands in the penalty area. Chan So again took the kick, and Bishop was applauded for bringing off the best save of the afternoon. Chinese continued to press but no further scoring took place. The Chinese ran out winners of a fast game by 1 goal to 0.

Referee, Mr. Hollands.

On the play Chinese deserved to win. They had matters all their own way in the second half, and should have increased their score. Cairo did not seem to be in form. Stevenson was practically a passenger, as he had not recovered from last week's accident. Their defence was not sound and the fast Chinese forward line had them guessing on many occasions.

CLUB v. KOWLOON.

This game, which did not start until quarter to five, was a very even one with perhaps the Club having slightly the better of the exchanges, but they could not find the net.

Club kicked off, and Kowloon were soon pressing, McPhail relieving by kicking to touch. Kowloon came again and Rodgers saved a fine shot from Duncan. Club got going and England tested Eve with a fast shot. Give and take play followed, the ball travelling from end to end very fast. Half time arrived with no score recorded.

Restarting Kowloon attacked, but Gerrard cleared transferring play to the other end where Eve was called on to save shots from England, Begg and Kuhr in rapid succession; the Club were here having the best of the exchanges, but for Eve being at the top of form they must have scored. Kowloon came again, and Townsend receiving took a steady shot at goal. Rodgers who was standing outside the goal line must have misjudged the flight of the ball, it went over his head into the goal.

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From the kick off Club pressed but they were unable to score and full time arrived with Kowloon winners by one goal to none. Referee, Mr. Jones.

"AMBROSE" v. "CURLEW."

This game played on the Navy "A" ground resulted in a win for "Curlew" by 4 goals to 2. Play in the first half was very even. Hanna scoring the "Ambrose," which was the only goal scored in this half.

In the second half, Cook, Dyer, Scott, and Taylor scored for the "Curlew," and Hanna scored for "Ambrose" second goal. Referee, Mr. Williams.

WILTS v. R.G.A.

Played at Sookumpo on Saturday before a large crowd of spectators.

From the start Wilts were the first to attack, Menham sending over. Wilts returned and Holloway cleared a shot from Evans, and Harris gaining possession headed in, but the goalie made a very weak clearance, and Harris being close in sent the ball in to the net.

Wilts attacked from the kickoff, and Menham beat Holloway. Whilst the R.G.A. backs were deciding whether to tackle him or not. Resuming the Gunners attacked but offside relieved; they were not to be denied however, Harris again getting possession, beat Smith, half time arriving with the Gunners leading by two goals to one.

Restarting, Wilts attacked, and Holloway was called on to save transferring play to the other end where offside relieved. Wilts were here combining lovely, and taking the ball down, their centre beat Holloway, making the game two all. The R.G.A. pressed from the centre kick, but hands in the goal mouth relieved, Menham receiving ran down and sent in a fast shot that Holloway fumbled and Swanborough completed the shot.

The R.G.A. tried hard to equalise, but could not do so, Wilts winning 3 goals to 2.

SECOND DIVISION.

UNIVERSITY v. CLUB RES.

Played on the Club ground, and resulted in a win for the University by two goals to 0.

WILTS RES. v. ST. JOSEPHS.

This game played on the Navy "B" ground was a very one sided affair, Wilts winning by 6 goals to 0, they were five up at half time, and in the second half they took matters very easy.

PUNJABIS v. KOWLOON RES.

Played on the Kowloon ground, Kowloon were the first to score, but Lees levelled things up for the Punjabis. Result: Draw one goal each.

UNITED v. S.C.A. "B."

This game which was played on the Chinese ground was spoilt by the spectators encroaching on the field. United were by far the best team and ran out winners by four goals to none. No doubt the Chinese missed the assistance of their first division players.

A very even game, Punjabis' play was good and with a little more idea of how to control the ball they should do well.

"CURLEW" RES. v. R.G.A. RES.

A fast game, with the Sailors having the best of the game. The Gunners do not seem to have settled down yet.

"Curlew" won by three goals to two.

CRICKET.

CIVIL SERVICE v. NAVY.

Played on the C.S. ground. The home team won the toss electing to bat, but were unable to put together more than 83; Sayer's 28 being the only noticeable contribution.

The Navy began badly and had 5 wickets down for 32. Franks and Greig, however, getting together passed their opponent's score, the latter batsman offering chances which were not taken, and the innings closed for 114.

The fielding of C.S. was decidedly patchy, and will have to be improved upon; we recommend more practice at this branch of the game. To a casual observer it appeared as though their Captain was somewhat inconsiderate towards one of his men, at least. It is rather hard, when one wants to sleep, to have to keep crossing when over is called. Could not a comfortable place, say mid-on and leg, be provided? It would save a certain amount of movement anyway.

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SPORT.

CRICKET.

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Or even better: provide the umpire with a bell. By an arrangement with the particular batsman the bell could be rung when a ball is going in his direction, and then he would be under no necessity to trouble about the game until thus alarmed!

Scores:

G. R. Sayer, b Morrison	28
F. J. de Rome, b Bryant	2
R. C. Wetherill, b Bloomfield	4
R. C. Fincher, b Jotham, b Bryant	4
B. W. Bradbury, b Bryant	11
F. J. Ling, st. Franks, b Morrison	6
W. H. Edmonds, c & b Chambers	2
H. E. Strange, lb w. Chambers	14
E. Dunkley, run out	5
W. F. Gorman, b Chambers	0
R. E. O. Bird, not out	0
Extras	7
Total	84

Bowling Analysis.

Bryant	9	1	34	3
Bloomfield	3	0	23	1
Morrison	8	2	15	2
Chambers	3	1	4	3

SAVY.

M. R. A. Chambers, b Bird	2
Surg. Lt. B. L. Bird, b Ling	13
P. O. Bolton, b Ling	4
Lt. Westall, b Bird	2
Lt. Com. Jotham, b Sayer	4
Lt. Com. Greig, b Edmonds	53
Lt. Franks, c Sayer, b de Rome	22
Surg. Lt. Morrison, not out	2
O. R. A. Bryant, b Edmonds	0
Pte. Bloomfield, b de Rome	0
Extras	2
Total	114

Bowling Analysis.

Bird	12	4	45	2
Ling	6	1	18	2
Sayer	7	2	21	2
de Rome	3	0	22	2
Edmonds	1	0	5	2

KOWLOON v. HONGKONG.

Played at King's Park on Saturday, this match was an interesting and closely contested affair, resulting in a draw, both sides having nine wickets down when stumps were down. Batting first, the home team compiled 119 for nine wickets and declared. Macdonald 37 and Thompson 33 were the highest contributors. Other double figures were compiled by Spinks and Mr. "Extras," 12 each. There were two "ducks" in the innings.

Hongkong opened well with Mitchell contributing a useful 40 before he was dismissed. Lammert and Webster also kept their ends up with 19 and 22 respectively, but the tail failed to wag, and when time intervened, they had nine wickets down for 110 runs. Three "ducks" were registered in this innings.

Scores:—

KOWLOON.	
C. I. Stapleton, b Pearce, b	8
Hamilton	37
A. G. Macdonald, b Lammert	37
F. E. Thompson, b Farthing	33
E. L. Bragg, c Benson, b Lammert	0
Capt. Spinks, run out	12
J. Stalker, c Benson, b Farthing	5
J. P. Robinson, b Webster	1
C. Dance, b Webster	9
S. T. Jones, not out	1
B. D. Evans, run out	1
R. Pestonji, not out	0
Extras	12
Total (for 9 wickets)	119

Bowling Analysis.

M. W. Hamilton	8	0	31	1
F. H. Farthing	11	0	30	2
S. N. Young	7	1	24	0
E. G. Lammert	8	5	10	4
R. E. A. Webster	5	2	19	2

HONGKONG.

E. J. R. Mitchell, b w. b Macdonald	40
W. Pearce, st. Dance, b Stalker	19
E. G. Lammert, c and b Evans	19
Eng. Gen. McNaghten, b Stalker	9
R. E. A. Webster, not out	22
E. H. Benson, lb w. b Macdonald	0
M. W. Watson, run out	0
A. B. Raworth, st. Dance, b Spinks	8
F. H. Farthing, not out	5
Extras	7
Total	110

E. W. Hamilton and F. N. Young, not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

E. D. Evans	8	0	29	1
J. Stalker	9	1	29	2
S. T. Jones	2	0	10	0
Capt. Spinks	4	0	12	1
A. G. Macdonald	4	0	23	2

KOWLOON v. HONGKONG.

This game was played on the B.C.C. ground on Saturday. Kowloon scored a comfortable win by 45 runs.

Hongkong batted first and compiled 137 runs of which the highest contributors were Sandberg 33, Fraser 29, McNeill 24, Day 16 and Cobb 15.

Kowloon played a very sound game and knocked up a pretty 183 before the whole side was dismissed. Lawrence who was in fine form stayed tight through the match and was undefeated with a fine score of 104 when the game closed. Overy 21, Brown 20, Mr. "Extras" 17 and Alderson 11 were the double-figure contributors.

Scores:—

HONGKONG.	
D. Reid, b Drake	1
A. B. Exell, b Overy	8
F. C. Miller, c and b Overy	0
W. Fraser, c Drake	29
H. H. Day, lb w. b Lawrence	16
L. O. McNeill, c Hodge, b Lawrence	24
M. C. Sandberg, b Brown	33
P. H. Cobb, c Lawrence, b Brown	15
D. M. Dorkins, b Brown	2
J. R. Way, b Brown	4
G. W. Sewell, not out	1
Extras	5
Total	137

Bowling analysis.

Drake	7	0	45	2
Overy	8	0	25	2
Shenton	8	0	18	2
Lawrence	7	2	33	2
Brown	6	2	10	4

KOWLOON.

E. W. Alderson, b Dorkins	11
A. O. Brown, c and b Reid	20
F. E. Lawrence, not out	104
B. J. Edwards, c Sewell, b Reid	0
H. Overy, c Fraser, b McNeill	21
L. E. S. Hodge, c Sewell, b Sandberg	0
F. G. Hedridge, c Exell, b Sandberg	0
L. S. Bates, c Cobb, b Day	3
A. G. Fife, c Sewell, b Day	1
W. S. Drake, not out	5
W. I. Shenton	0
Extras	17
Total	182

Bowling Analysis.

Dorkins	8	0	25	1
Day	8	0	45	2
Reid	4	0	22	2
Cobb	3	0	19	0
McNeill	4	0	29	1
Way	2	0	15	0
Sandberg	5	0	10	2

LAWN BOWLS.

Mr. J. Clark was winner.

Mr. J. Clark is Hongkong's Champion at Lawn Bowls. The final was played on the green of the Craven-gower Cricket Club on Saturday afternoon, in the presence of a large gathering. The finalists were Messrs. J. Clark and G. R. Edwards of the Police R.C. and the Kowloon B.C.C., respectively.

An excellent game was witnessed, resulting in a win for the Police representative by a score of 21-11. Play was even for half a dozen heads. Then Clark ran away with the next three heads and the score read 11-5 in his favour. Edwards fought gamely to the last, and improved his position, but had to see his opponent run out with such a lead.

THE SCORES.

Clark	No.	Score	Edwards	No.	Score	Total
1	1	1	1	1	1	2
2	3	4	1	1	1	5
3	4	4	1	1	1	10
4	1	5	2	2	2	12
5	1	5	3	3	3	15
6	1	6	4	4	4	18
7	1	6	5	5	5	21
8	1	7	6	6	6	24
9	1	7	7	7	7	28
10	2	9	8	8	8	35
11	2	11	9	9	9	42
12	2	11	10	10	10	49
13	3	14	11	11	11	56
14	3	14	12	12	12	63
15	1	15	13	13	13	69
16	2	17	14	14	14	75
17	2	19	15	15	15	83
18	2	19	16	16	16	91
19	1	20	17	17	17	99
20	1	20	18	18	18	107
21	1	21	19	19	19	115

At the conclusion of the game, the trophies won in the tournament were distributed by Mr. R. M. Dyer, President of the Association, as follows:—1, J. Clark; 2, G. R. Edwards; 3, J. Ferguson; and 4, R. Hedley.

A Challenge game has been arranged for next Saturday between Clark and Macdonald of the Tai Koo Club, last year's champion.

DIWALI FESTIVAL.

The Indian festival of Diwali is now on. Yesterday and today Messrs. D. Chellam, with premises well decorated, have been and are entertaining guests.

HONGKONG MISSION.

TRAGIC END OF A RHODES SCHOLAR.

"A cable has reached the London Missionary Society that Dr. Eric Arthur Woods died of pneumonia on July 13, not many days after his arrival at Hongkong," writes the Rev. Edward Skilleto in the *Christian World*. "Since the death of Arthur Jackson in Manchuria there has been no loss to missions in China so tragic as this. At the L.M.S. board meeting in April Dr. Woods said farewell; on May 14 he sailed in the Kleist to take up hospital work at Hongkong; the next news is the tidings of his death. He was a strong man, with no flaw in his health; he had brought many patients through pneumonia during his hospital service, but he fell to it himself, and all he has been able to give to China is the memory of a life that was willing to be spent for its people. He was willing; that was all, and yet that is enough to make his memory blessed among a people not ungrateful."

"Born in Tasmania in 1892, Dr. Woods graduated first in the University of Tasmania, and afterwards proceeded as a Rhodes Scholar to New College, Oxford, where he had a brilliant career, winning a Senior Demerit at Magdalen in 1918, and doing extremely fine work as an advanced student. During the war he was attached to the French Army, and did surgical work of a very special kind. The list of his qualifications tells a tale of a long intellectual discipline: B.A., B.M., B.Ch., D.P.H., D.O. (Oxon.), M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (Lond.), B. Sc. (Tasmania)."

And there would be tragedy written over this story if a sudden attack of pneumonia had made all this toil and patience and all this wealth of promise so much waste. But this is not the faith by which this man lived, and by his own faith his life may be seen carried forward. A medical student has not much leisure to give, but at Oxford Dr. Woods took part in the George Street Sunday School with remarkable results. Some of us who remember him in the Free Church Camp, as we remember Jackson in earlier days, can speak of his quiet and serious faith; but he was not a man to say much.

"I should expect him," wrote one who knew him well at Oxford, "to make a medical missionary of a noble type, whose words would be fewer than his deeds, but those few well chosen." As it has come to pass, neither his deeds nor his words will be many, but the gift of himself will be the gift remembered most in China. There will be a peculiar and tender sympathy for Dr. Woods' father and mother, both living still in Tasmania, where his father is a Congregational minister."

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The American Prohibition authorities have made further large captures. Their total bag was 2 sc. coppers, 2 motor-boats, and 2,000 cases of whisky and gin, 1 well known banker, 1 county sheriff, several restaurant proprietors, and other smaller fry.

The banker and the sheriff both live at Jacksonville, Florida, which is known as the headquarters of one of the largest smuggling organizations in the country. In six months the Florida authorities have captured more than £320,000 worth of liquor in motor-boats and motor-cars, which they admit only represents the market fringe of the whole smuggling traffic.

The New York *World* reports that a sailing vessel, which (as usual) is a former Massachusetts fishing schooner now under the British flag, is lying hove-to several miles off Martha's Vineyard, on the Massachusetts coast, selling liquor freely to all comers, mainly yachtsmen.

BAD BOYS.

SUCCESS IN BUSINESS.

EXAMINATION MIND NOT EVERYTHING.

Bad boys who have done well in life include many eminent men, to whom must be added Mr. E. W. Symons, who has just retired after being headmaster for 25 years of the King Edward VI School, Bath. "I was not a good boy," declared Mr. Symons. "I very seldom got a good report, and I am not ashamed to say that I was often caned."

A London schoolmaster said to a reporter that dull boys, as distinguished from vicious boys, were frequently found to be successful in the professions and in business.

"Some boys" have not got the examination mind," he said. "They are slow and plodding, and usually at the bottom of the class, and their mentality develops after they have left school. Other boys who get the reputation of being 'bad' are the careless, impulsive, irresponsible type who get more earnings than marks."

"But as they grow older, these boys gradually realise their responsibilities and do better in actual work than they did at their books. As a rule, however, the diligent scholar possesses all the qualities essential to material success."

"Among the more notable exceptions are the great Duke of Wellington, who was the dunce of his school. Many of our best novelists were 'bad boys,' according to their own admissions, and some of our eminent divines were not exactly model students."

JAPANESE EMPEROR'S BIRTHDAY.

NOTICE.

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THE Steamship

"APUS."

having arrived from San Francisco and Los Angeles, via ports, on October 30th, 1921, consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the Godowns at Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk.

Consignees of cargo must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before delivery orders will be issued.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on November 4th, 1921, by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Carmichael & Clark.

All claims must be presented within two days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be recognized after the goods have left the Godowns and cargo undelivered on and after November 5th, 1921, will be subject to suit.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading in exchange for Delivery Orders immediately.

STRUTHERS & DIXON, INC., Agents for U.S.S.B. Emergency Fleet Corp.

Hongkong, October 30, 1921.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

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From SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS via SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU & JAPAN PORTS.

The above named steamer having arrived on Sunday, 30th October, 1921, consignees of cargo are hereby notified to present their Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and take immediate delivery from alongside steamer or the Company's Godown, where all cargo impeding immediate discharge will be landed at consignees' risk.

Storage will be assessed on cargo remaining undelivered after Monday, 31st November, 1921.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages will be landed into the Company's Godown, where same will be examined on Tuesday, 8th November, at 10 a.m.

No claims will be recognized after goods have left the Steamer or Godown, and none will be entertained if presented later than three weeks after arrival of steamer.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

Y. TSUTSUMI, Manager.
Hongkong, November 31, 1921.

TO SECRETARIES OF CLUBS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS.

ALL preliminary notices of forthcoming meetings, lectures and entertainments, sent for insertion in the news columns of the *China Mail*, are charged for at the rate of \$1 each, (as announced in May and June of last year) providing that they do not occupy more than four lines. In future if this space is exceeded they will be placed in the advertising columns at the prevailing rates.

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BRITISH FIRMS LOSE TEST CASE
AGAINST GERMAN FIRMS.

In the Chancery Division, Mr.
Justice Russell delivered a reserved
judgment in a test action brought by
British companies against the
controllers of six companies established
in England (and wound up under the
Trading with the Enemy Acts) for the
sale of German dyes, claiming dam-
ages amounting to many millions of
pounds for breach of pre-war
contracts.
Claimants, selected from a large
body of plaintiffs, were the Calico
Printers' Association, Ltd., the
Bradford Cotton and Wool Dyers' As-
sociation, Ltd., the Indigo Dyeing
Amalgamation, Ltd., Scott and Co.,
Ltd., and the executors of Thomas
Welch. Respondents were the con-
trollers of the Badische Company,
Ltd., the Bayer Company, Ltd., the
Greisheim Elektron, Ltd., Kallied and
Co., Ltd., the Berlin Aniline Company,
Ltd., and Meister Lucius and Bruning,
Ltd.

It was argued for respondents that
the outbreak of war rendered obtaining
of supplies impossible; that the fulfil-
ment of the contracts would have
involved intercourse with the enemy,
and that as the contracts contained
suspensory clauses the claim for
damages was premature.

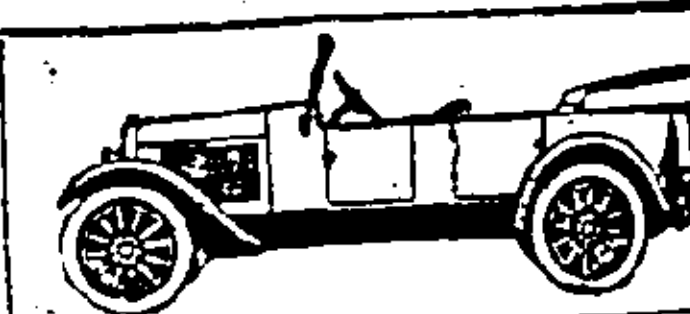
With regard to the latter point,
claimants replied that there had been
an anticipatory breach by reason of
the winding-up orders, which put it
out of the power of the companies to
carry out the contract.

The hearing occupied 20 sittings of
the Court, and 10 King's Counsel and
a similar number of "junior" were
engaged in the case.

His Lordship said that the number
of contracts was legion, and 31 were
selected, so that he had really tried
31 actions for breach of contract.
With regard to the first five com-
panies, he held that on the outbreak
of war they were in the hands of
persons resident in an enemy country,
and therefore became of an enemy
character, and the contracts came to
an end.

As to Meister Lucius and Bruning,
they manufactured in England
but with materials procurable only
in Germany, so the source of supply
absolutely stopped when war broke
out. He saw no difference between
these contracts and the others, and
directed the controllers to reject all
the claims.

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and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon,
whence and/or from the wharves de-
livery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded
unless notice to the contrary be given
before 25th inst.

No claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the
31st inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must
be presented to the Underwriter on or
before the 10th prox. or they will not be
recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged
Goods are to be left in the Godowns
where they will be examined on the
31st inst. at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
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livery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 3rd
November, 1921, will be subject to rent.
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packages are to be left in the Godowns,
where they will be examined on the
2nd November, 1921, at 10 A.M. by
Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

Claims against the steamer must be
presented in writing within ten days
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ed hour on TUESDAY and FRIDAY.

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China's political and financial future, with special reference to the relations between Hongkong and Canton, received prominent mention in several important speeches made at the opening ceremony of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation's new \$300,000 building in Shamen on Saturday morning. Messages from H.B.M. Minister at Peking, Sir Beilby Alston, and H.E. the Governor of Hongkong, Sir R. E. Stubbs, K.C.M.G., were read wishing the Bank success in its new enterprise. The Chinese Government Minister of Foreign Affairs delivered an able speech in Chinese, political hopes and the part played by the Bank in fostering better relations between the Chinese and British. Many well-known people were present at the ceremony which was full worthy of the description "an auspicious occasion."

At the hour appointed for the ceremony, a large crowd assembled outside the main entrance. In addition to a large gathering of Shamen residents many well-known Hongkong people were present, including the Bank's Chairman, Directors and General Manager. Many Canton and Hongkong Chinese merchants and business men also attended.

Shortly before the opening ceremony at 11.30 a.m., three camphor trees were planted in Central Avenue on the west side of the new Bank by the little daughters of the Manager, Mr. D. Forbes. These trees will complete the row of big camphor trees on either side of the Bank building.

With the arrival of Dr. Wu Ting-fang, Canton Government Minister of Foreign Affairs, a gold key was handed to the British Consul General Mr. J. W. Jamieson, C.M.G., who then unlocked the massive door and declared the new building open.

The key, manufactured in Hongkong, bore on the one side the Hongkong official coat of arms as used by the Bank and on the other the following inscription:—

"Presented to J. W. Jamieson, C.M.G., by the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, on the occasion of the opening of its new Shamen Office, October 29, 1921."

As Mr. Jamieson unlocked the door, which was draped with two large flags, Chinese and British, the Bank's house flag was run up the mast, the Chinese band present struck up a lively tune, and a string of crackers was exploded.

The large company then followed Mr. Jamieson into the commodious banking hall, where champagne and sandwiches were served. Speeches were then delivered and toasts appropriate to the occasion honoured.

SOME OF THOSE PRESENT.

Among those invited to attend the ceremony were the following:—
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that the Canton branch of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank will continue to flourish and promote the prosperity of the Cantonese community, with which Hongkong has been for so many years closely associated in commerce and friendship. (Applause.)

These expressions of good will towards the Cantonese and the rest of China apply reflect the feelings of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. The Bank has developed and grown up with Chinese trade, and the Management has no other wish than to see a prosperous and united China. The Bank is not concerned with politics, but in the stress of these times the Directors and Management have a strong feeling that it is only by a peaceful drawing together of the present conflicting political parties under some form of coalition Government that prosperity generally can be assured. (Heard.)

I had the honour a few months ago of officiating at a similar ceremony to this at Shanghai, and I then referred to the wonderful financial strength of China and to the resiliency of its trade. Trading difficulties the world over and in China have not abated since that time, and political strife in China has, if anything, been more acute than before, and yet a substantial volume of commerce has continued throughout this country; between the Treaty Ports; and with foreign countries. This volume of trade, however, instead of being on the progressive scale warranted by the character and energies of the people of China, combined with the natural resources of the country, is now in many respects on the downward grade. The reason of this is plain for all to see, and when one considers the unsettled state of China since 1911 the marvel is not that conditions are what they are, but that they are no worse! All the same it is becoming evident that the strain on the country's resources and endurance is reaching a critical stage and a united China seems the only workable solution of the difficulty which presents itself. Take Canton for example, the port is steadily growing with its new roads and buildings. "Progress" is the watchword, but its full power of development is still held up. Given peace with the rest of the country, and financial strength in consequence, the city and surrounding country are open to far more wide reaching development for the benefit of the Province and China generally. Railway systems are waiting on construction, mines awaiting opening, and industries expansion. You all appreciate the harvest of good things that such developments bring in their train. It is interesting to think that the full development, industrially and agriculturally, of this Province, is likely, among other things, to recreate the great trade route which formerly reached out across this province into Hunan, through Siangtan and Changsha, and so to the Yangtze and the North.

It was union that brought the Great War to a successful issue; union among the political parties of the Allied Powers, and the union of the Allied Armies under one man, ultimately brought peace. And so our sympathies lie with the idea and principle of a united China, but the fruition thereof rests with the leaders and people of China herself.

Let me renew on behalf of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, its Directors, Management, and Shareholders, their good wishes for the prosperity of this city and this province and the whole of China, united with messages from His Majesty's representatives in Peking and Hongkong.

I will now ask Mr. Jamieson to declare this building open, and we shall welcome some remarks from him beyond the ordinary formalities. Afterwards I hope His Excellency Dr. Wu Ting-fang will honour us with an address, and that one of the leading Chinese merchants will speak. Mr. Stephen, our excellent Chief Manager, will thereafter also talk to us.

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[Owing to the continual murmur of conversation made by people too far away to follow the speaker but close enough to make it difficult at times for others to hear, a verbatim report of Mr. Jamieson's remarks was not fully possible, with the result that in one place at least summarisation has been necessary.]

Mr. Jamieson said: Mr. Edkins, Your Excellency, ladies and gentlemen, I have already had the privilege of opening this building but in case you should not have heard what I said when I turned the key and opened the door, I wish to reiterate my strong desire for the eternal flourishing of the local agency of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. (Applause.) After the eloquent address given by Mr. Edkins and the messages read by him from those illustrious personages representing His Majesty the King at Peking and at Hongkong, there is very little left for me to say except to thank the Chairman and Directors of the Bank for the honour they have conferred upon me in asking me to open what I hope will be one of the most flourishing agencies of the Bank throughout the whole of China. I suppose that like Tommy Tucker, who had to sing for his supper, I must deliver some suitable or unsuitable remarks to justify the very handsome key presented to me. In casting about for a theme I have been in great difficulty because, as some of you might know, though others might not, I have been extremely overworked of late and have not been able to devote much thought to the matter.

Mr. Jamieson then drew a playful analogy between the evolution of kings and the evolution of banks, giving amusing illustration of his points by quotations from Chaucer, Montaigne and Bacon. After tracing the increasing use of money as a medium of exchange in place of barter, he mentioned that Montaigne developed the theory that "there could be no profit without loss to someone else." This theory was a very rash one as under it Montaigne declared that all gain should be condemned. Bacon, writing on usury, had on the other hand, asserted that while Montaigne's contention might be right in theory, it did not work out that way in practice. He pointed to the help that merchants derived in times of financial crisis from being able to borrow but, he stipulated, let "the tooth of usury be grinded so it should not bite too deep."

All constituents of banks, continued Mr. Jamieson would be inclined to impress that dictum on the managers of banks with which they came in contact. Bacon also said, "gain is based on diligence and a name for good and honest dealings." That aptly applied to the case of this Bank.

Now to come to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, the first qualification, that of being diligent, has been amply proved. I have been brought into contact with various branches of this Bank for a great many years now, and I will say that for diligence—and by diligence I mean application, intelligence, and keen study of the situation—there are very few banks which can boast a staff so efficient and hard-working as that of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. (Applause.) In the course of my career in China it has been my good fortune to have been brought into contact, sometimes very intimate contact, with all of the chief managers of the Bank from Sir Thomas Jackson (the first) to Mr. A. G. Stephen, (the present), and they have amply fulfilled their role. (Applause.)

Having said so much I do not think there is very much left for me to say except to ask you who are present here to spread abroad the fame of the Bank, also to add how very greatly I esteem the capacity which the management has displayed. On its behalf I ask for your continued support. In this connection I would like to offer a posthumous testimony to the foresight and discrimination shown by the individual—I do not know who he

was but I am quite certain he was not British, possibly he was Chinese—who translated that horrible mouth-filling name "the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation" into the two words "Way Fong." For those of you who are not Chinese scholars—and I regret there are so many, because a knowledge of Chinese is the one essential thing that will bind the two nations together—I should like to say that the word "Way" is the Chinese word for transmitting money. The Chinese in most things were far in advance of ourselves and they started banking with a keener interest long before we did. They had that word ready. Therefore this man evolved the Chinese name when the Bank started to remit and exchange money. The second character "Fong" means to prosper, and nobody can say those gentlemen in the early days—50 years ago when the Bank was first founded—did not forecast with the greatest accuracy the future of the Bank. Nobody present will disagree with me when I state that the basis of the prosperity of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank at the present moment is exchange. I am not a shareholder in the Bank; therefore I am quite uninterested, and if the Bank chooses to spend shareholders' money in putting up magnificent buildings—palaces—of this description I have nothing to say. All that I would like to say on behalf of the shareholders is that the more money the management makes and the more money it distributes the more prosperous I think the shareholders will be. I will conclude by saying that I hope the waters of the auriferous stream will figuratively speaking flow through the west door of the Bank depicting on the ground floor their golden sand and flow out by the East to enrich the plains. (Applause.) Ladies and gentlemen I ask you to drink with me to the prosperity of the Canton agency of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

DR. WU TING-FANG'S ADDRESS.

BANK'S SERVICE TO CHINA.

Dr. Wu Ting-fang said: Ladies and gentlemen, It gives me great pleasure to be present on this occasion. If you will allow me I will refer to ancient history. I remember the time when this Bank was formed in Hongkong many years ago. Perhaps many of you were not then born. I remember when about half a dozen of the most enterprising Britishers in Hongkong were discussing and promoting the present Bank. One of them I remember well was Mr. Sutherland, afterwards Sir Thomas Sutherland, who was superintendent of the P. & O. Company. At that time Hongkong was a small Colony. This Bank was formed more than half a century ago and I have seen the wonderful changes it has undergone. It has progressed and developed. It was called the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, omitting Canton. The ancient city was not named—not that this was intended as any slight to Canton—but because it was thought at the time the Bank must not be too ambitious and that Hongkong and Shanghai were quite enough. But now we have the Bank not only in Hongkong, the commercial centre and head office, but also in Shanghai and other ports in China. Not only that but in other countries also. It was started as a small bank but has now become one of the biggest banks in the world. (Applause.) Who does not know the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank? Wherever you go its agencies are there, even in foreign countries. I have had the advantage of dealing with the Bank and it has been most satisfactory. If you go into any foreign country you can get your money there or if it is some part of China you can have it saved.

Now, this Bank has done great things not only from a financial point of view but also in the interests of the two countries, England and China and other foreign countries. Why? you may ask. Well it is this way. A bank with various branches and agencies draws all the people of China to come and deal with it. Therefore

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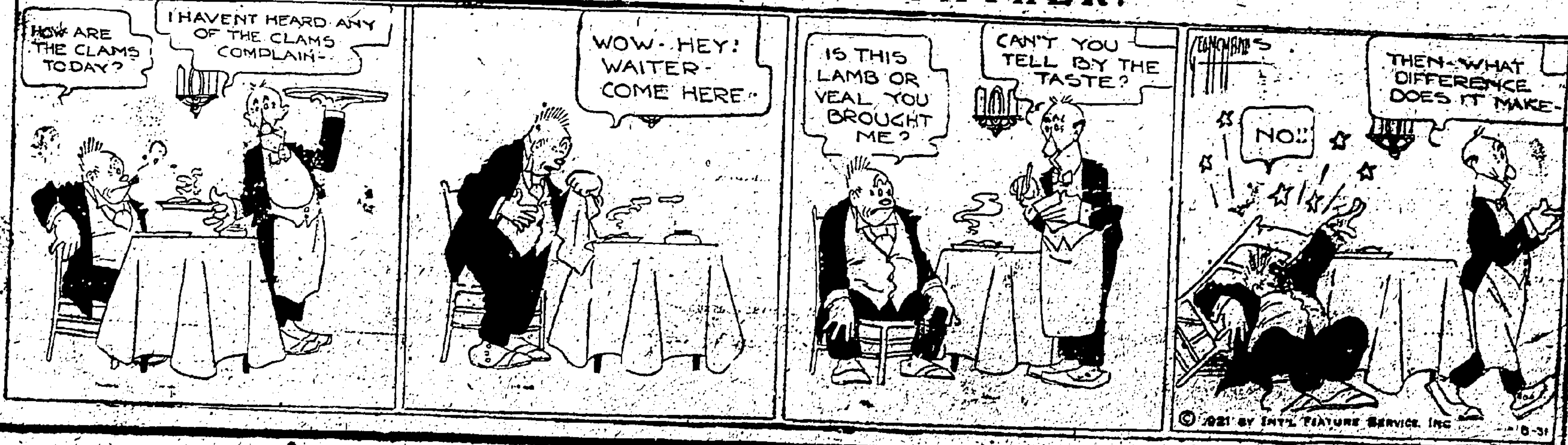
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this Bank inspires the confidence of other countries as by constant dealing with them they see that everything is correct and give it their trust. Now in China the best investment from a Chinese point of view is land. If you buy land in China you are sure to get a good return. Perhaps it might not always be very much but it is safe. It has come to my knowledge that many of my own countrymen instead of buying land in China hold shares in this Bank. (Applause.) That shows that they have confidence in the Bank. And another thing, the return is better than they get from the land. (Applause and laughter.) You will see therefore that the Bank has been of great service to the Chinese people and induces them to trust you. From this point of view it increases the good friendship of China for Britain and other foreign countries. There is another thing to be considered, and that is why this bank is doing business. It is good, for the shareholders, it is good for the people, and it sets a good example for us. When this Bank was started there were no Chinese banks to speak of. Of course there were small local banks but nothing to compare with the immense financial transactions carried on by the Hongkong and Shanghai and foreign banks. Now there are similar banks running in all the principal places. The foreign banks taught our people how to establish banks and to carry them on in a good business way. I am glad to know that the number of banks starting in Hongkong is increasing every day. There is the Bank of China, also the Bank of Canton, and so on. Our students who have been educated in England, America, and other countries have become directors and managers of these Banks. Some little time ago I remember meeting an American banker and asking him his opinion. He told me among other things that he called at one of the Chinese banks at Shanghai and was surprised to see the admirable way in which it conducted its business. He said he thought it was the branch of an American bank but later found that the manager of the bank was a Chinese, educated in America in the banking business. (Continued on page 5.)

BRINGING UP FATHER.



HONGKONG BANK.

(Continued from Page 8.)

The Hongkong and Shanghai Bank has done great service to China in different ways in cultivating good friendship with the Chinese and in giving us an object lesson on how to carry on the banking business here. (Applause.) Previous speakers have expressed a wish to see China united. I would like to say that nothing would please us more than to see our country united but it is important to remember this fact that we want China to be united in a proper way and to be governed in a proper way. (Applause.) We want her to have honest government—clean government—and to do away with militarism. (Applause.) They talk about North and South. We have no North and South. In this Government we have northern people just as many as we have Cantonese. They all wish China to be united in a proper and honest way. (Hear, hear and applause.) But it is no use to have a patched up peace. We have had that before. Ten years ago when the Manchurian dynasty was overthrown we were called on to make peace at all costs. And see what the consequences have been. We placed in power an incompetent Government which has brought us into this deplorable condition. Now we have achieved experience in this matter and have already supporters from other provinces. We are tired of friction but first of all let us have some foundation for good government. If we have that we will give every thing to have peace and to see China united. I see that this Bank, this great institution, has offices in different parts of the country.

Hongkong, Canton, Shanghai and various other ports, and even in Peking. I believe that this bank is a link. It has no political views. All it wants is business. I hope China will take a lesson from this bank, starting from Canton as its centre and drawing other provinces together and so be reunited. This may be the link for doing good to China and we hope that our Government here will be the means of reuniting China. (Applause.)

An institution like this has no age. The older it grows the better it is. When a man gets old he gets smaller, but with a bank like this the more it grows the bigger it becomes, and I hope it will continue to grow without limit, in order that it may continue to do good service to China and to every other country and become a big institution for ever and ever.

The Vice-Chairman of the Cantonese Chamber of Commerce (Mr. Wong Lau Tong), the Secretary of the Chamber (Mr. Wong Lai Tam), and Tam Hang Po each delivered a short speech complimenting the Bank on its enterprise and wishing it every success in the future.

GENERAL MANAGER'S SPEECH.

Mr. Stephen, the General Manager, said: Your Excellency, ladies and gentlemen—My intention is to ask you all here to drink prosperity to Canton and the Cantonese, but before proceeding to do so, I should like to return my warmest thanks to His Excellency, Dr. Wu Ting-fang for his very statesmanlike speech and his very kindly reference to the Bank. I can assure him that if the organisation of the bank—a bank which has no politics—can be of any service to China in composing the unhappy differences that exist at present, we, the Bank management would consider that we could fulfil no higher or better purpose. (Applause.) You will see our opinion of what Canton is likely to develop into by the size of this building. Our charter, I believe, expires in about six years' time and if Canton develops as we hope it will we may have to consider Dr. Wu Ting-fang's suggestion and change our name to include Canton. (Applause.) But I want you all now to drink heartily to the continued prosperity of Canton and the Cantonese. I believe that now we have this accommodation available we shall do a large and ever increasing business with the Canton merchants. I wish success to the Chinese banks that have established themselves in recent years and I hope they will prosper and become more powerful for the more financial facilities that are available for China trade the more business will ultimately come to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. The Canton merchants have been famous for centuries for their enterprising and spirit of adventure. It was the merchants and sailors of Canton who used to trade in the East and the ports of Asia even as far as the Persian Gulf. Their city here has always held a great fascina-

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tion for me. I visited it first thirty-six years ago and I have repeatedly visited it since. Up to recent years it remained a medieval city with its solid guilds and its solid merchants very seldom stirring outside the walls. Now everything is changed. The walls have disappeared and the Cantonese are actively seeking all the comforts of modern life. Before concluding I would like to make one appeal to them. In their passion for improvement I hope they will take care that none of the ancient and historical monuments of Canton are allowed to suffer. In England and in Scotland we have never ceased to regret the disappearance of ancient landmarks. We would give anything to have them back. So I hope the Canton Government will have a reverent care for these ancient and unique monuments of which the city is so justly famous, so that in future years the citizens will see daily before them evidences of the immemorial greatness of their native races. (Applause.) Last you to drink prosperity to Canton and the Cantonese.

The toast was honoured with acclamation, all present giving three very hearty cheers.
Mr. E. A. Stanton, of Messrs. Deacon and Co., said he hoped he was voicing the feelings of all present in expressing thanks to the Chairman and Directors of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank for their courtesy in asking them to be present at a very interesting ceremony and for the hospitality they had extended to them. Personally he had a very strong link with the Bank because the firm he represented were the local agents of the Bank for many years—long before a local branch existed in Canton.

TIFFIN PARTY.

Following the ceremony in the main hall, tiffin was served in the residential quarters upstairs. Among those present were:—
Mr. and Mrs. G. T. M. Edkins, Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Lang, Mr. W. L. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Dodwell, Mr. D. G. M. Bernard, Mrs. C. H. Ross, Mr. H. P. Whyte, Mr. H. W. Bird, Mr. and Mrs. D. Forbes, H. E. Dr. Wu Ting-fang, Mr. C. C. Wu, Mr. Wong Kaun, Superintendent of Customs, Mr. Liah Cheung Hoi, Mr. Chan Lim-pak, Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen, Mr. J. W. Jamieson and Capt. Cloete.

BUILDING DESCRIBED.

A HANDSOME STRUCTURE.

The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation's branch office in Shamen was first opened in 1909 in one of the old hongs adapted for the purpose. The first agent was Mr. R. D. Hynd, who was succeeded the following year by Mr. H. A. McIntyre. The next agent was Mr. J. Scrymgeour who took charge in 1911. Two years later he was succeeded by Mr. W. C. Turner, who in turn gave place in 1914 to the present manager Mr. D. Forbes.

Following the outbreak of war, the Bank moved to premises occupied by the old German Bank and there carried on business pending the construction of a new building. Costing approximately \$500,000 and taking 21 months to build, the new offices present a beautiful and imposing structure on the site of the old Bank in the heart of Shamen. While mainly classical, the building does not, in the words of one of its architects, "adhere slavishly to any style." Beauty, dignity, and utility make the new building one of the finest modern banking offices in Southern China. The well-known architects Messrs. Palmer and Turner and Messrs. Little Adams and Wood, who were associated in the work, are to be congratulated on a very fine achievement.

The foundation stone of the new premises was laid by Mrs. Stabb, the wife of Sir Newton Stabb, the former General Manager, on February 6, 1920. The building has a frontage of 80 feet and a depth of 145 feet. It is four storeys high, having been built to the height limit of 60 feet allowed by the Shamen Municipal Council building regulations.

LOCAL WEDDING.

REVENUE OFFICER MARRIES.

On Saturday at St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road, Miss Lydia Caroline Stenham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Stenham, of Victoria Barracks was married to Mr. Patrick Langan, a well known Revenue Officer.

Wearing white tulle, trimmed with old lace, the bride was attended by two bridesmaids, Miss Constance and Miss Amy Stenham, master Harold Massey acting as page. The bridesmaids wore pretty dresses of apricot satin, overlaid with cream net, and they carried bouquets of pink roses with maidenhair fern. The bride's mother wore a costume of white georgette crepe, trimmed with black satin.

The Rev. Father Augustine performed the ceremony. Mr. Francis Massey gave away the bride and Mr. John O'Regan acted as best man. A reception was held at the Hongkong Hotel afterwards. Mr. and Mrs. Langan will go to Canton and Macao for their honeymoon. The bride's travelling costume is of white serge with a black panne velvet hat trimmed with yellow.

UNIVERSITY CONCERT.

A capital programme was presented on Saturday night by the students of Elicot and Lugard Halls of the Hongkong University at their annual concert. The entertainment took place in the Great Hall of the University and was attended by an audience that was both big and appreciative. The Vice-Chancellor (Sir William Brunsford) and Lady Brunsford were among those present.

Undoubtedly the success of the evening was Mr. Mustapha B. Osman's shrewd caricatures of well-known University personalities. His temerity and skilful mimicry were rewarded with laughter and applause. Another popular contribution was that of Mr. Y. C. Teh, who supplemented a number of songs with a clever display of club-swinging. Miss Norma Hyndman, Miss Julia Soares, Mrs. Violet Chan and Mr. Y. K. Wong were responsible for well received vocal numbers and Messrs. T. K. Kwok and W. S. Chung were associated in an effective Chinese instrumental duet.

The ground floor, which is 20 feet high, is entirely taken up by the banking hall, the manager's office and other rooms, all of which have been tastefully furnished. On the Central Avenue are the two main entrances to the Bank. Another entrance connects directly with the commodore's department from the side road. A book treasury, also two treasuries for specie are provided. Both the agent and accountant have their own private offices easily accessible to the public. The commodore has a private office and reception room adjoining, also a small treasury for his own use.

The exterior of the building is carried out in the Italian Renaissance style, the south-west corner being finished off by a tower crowned with a cupola carried on small columns. The main framework of the structure, also the floors and roof, is carried out in reinforced concrete. The outer walls up to the first floor level are faced with finely dressed granite. A feature of the building is the use above the first floor level of granite plaster for the exterior walls. This method of plastering, which originated in Japan, is new to South China though extensively used in the North.

The plaster when finished has the appearance of stone and does not need colour-washing. Local greenstone has been put to effective use in the mullions of the windows. The whole of the woodwork is locally made teak. The building is heated with open fires. The following materials were used in the construction of the building: Bags of cement, 15,000; number of piles, 3,000; steel, 200 tons; bricks, 2,000,000; granite, 10,000 cubic feet; teakwood, 18,000 cubic feet; reinforced concrete, 5,000 cubic feet.

CORRESPONDENCE

"SHANTUNG."

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Sir—In your leading article of October 27, you imply that China signed the Treaty of Versailles under reservation. Your words are:—"In signing that treaty she specifically excepted the Shantung clauses." This is an obvious *lapus calami*. China did not sign the Treaty of Versailles. She offered to sign it with a reservation excluding the Shantung clauses. But the Journalist, the Solicitor and the Professor, who sliced up the world in 1919 peremptorily refused.

Your statement of the Chinese case regarding Shantung is also not quite accurate. You say:—"China contends that the restitution (of Shantung) should be made direct to her by Germany, and not through Japan." This is not the contention. China's declaration of war abrogated "all... treaties, conventions and agreements of whatever nature, at present in force between China and Germany." None denies that this declaration abrogated and legally abrogated the Kiaochow Convention under which Germany entrenched herself in Shantung. We argue, therefore, that this act of abrogation re-vested in China the right to "Shantung" as from the date of the Chinese declaration of war, August 14, 1917; and the fact that Japan, and not Germany, was and has been in possession does not affect the legal validity of China's right. Japan is precisely in the position of a man A in possession of property to which another man B is entitled. A is a wrong-doer directly he resists B's demand for possession, assuming his original entry to be non-tortious. Japan has been in A's position since August 14, 1917.

Neither the Versailles Treaty nor the Treaty of May 25, 1915 is a defence. China did not sign the former and is not bound by it. By the Treaty of May 25, 1915, China "agrees to give full assent" to any settlement between Germany and Japan relating to Shantung. China has never so assented. The Shantung clauses in the Treaty of Versailles were drafted by the Japanese Peace Delegation at Paris with the twofold object of compelling Germany to "any settlement" with Japan regarding Shantung and of securing China's assent to the same. Note the distinction. China did not agree "to give full assent" to an existing agreement between Germany and Japan. She only agreed "to give full assent" to any settlement "which the Japanese Government may hereafter agree with the German Government." "If Germany had won the war, there would have been no agreement to which China could give 'full assent'." It is of course open to Japan to urge that China's refusal to assent to the Shantung settlement embodied in the Treaty of Versailles is a breach of the Treaty of May 25, 1915. But this is altogether a different question. And China's reply would be that she had been coerced to sign the Treaty by an ultimatum edged with a threat of war and that Japan's action was a flagrant violation of the letter and spirit of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance, perpetrated at a time when her Ally was engaged in a life-and-death struggle. Naturally, Japanese diplomacy is not anxious to have the issue framed in these terms. Hence, Tokyo's insistence on "direct negotiations" with Peking.

This is a bare outline of the legal aspect of the case. I make no attempt here to discuss its merits—
Yours etc.
EUGENE CHEN.

Government House

Canton, October 28.

PEAK SCHOOL.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Sir—Recent years have seen great attention paid by the Government to education. It has been the constant endeavour to raise the level of local standards. That this spirit is still being fostered is shown by the provision in the Budget for the removal of Queen's College to surroundings more congenial. But, Sir, there seem to be evidences that Government while looking at and admiring our educational system as a whole, overlook details on which success depends. A concrete example has been furnished within the last few days. At the Peak School there has formerly been certificated mistresses. Now one has been removed to one certificated mistress in this particular school. Does the Government think that this shuffling of positions is going to help towards efficiency? Surely the parents have a right to demand that their children shall be properly grounded in various subjects while in Hongkong. We may perhaps send our youngsters away

YACHTING BEGINS.

ROYALS OPENING CRUISE.

Splendid weather, bright and fresh and sunshiny, helped to make a success of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club's opening cruise on Saturday afternoon. There was a good breeze, which displayed its customary capriciousness of the channel rocks, but the tide made itself felt rather more than had been expected. The racing was good and after the programme had been disposed of members and their friends gathered on the lawn at the Club House for afternoon tea.

After the acting Commodore (the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn C.M.G.) had made a neat speech thanking all those who had helped towards the success of the future, Mrs. Severn handed over the prizes. Afterwards the acting Commodore called for Mr. L. E. Macdonough, who has just retired from the club secretaryship, and presented him with a handsome silver salver. He said that all the regretted Mr. Macdonough's resignation very much and wished to recognise his valuable services to the Club.

The results were:—
English Rig—1, Feathers (Mr. W. Logan); 2, Azuma (Mr. P. M. Hodgson); 3, Chinese Rig (Class Letter C)—1, Niobe (Mr. T. A. Martin); 2, Helen (Mr. and Mrs. Cornell and Mr. Recker).

Handicap Class (Class Letter H)—1, Sonia (Mr. J. Clarke), sailed by Mrs. Greig; 2, Colleen (Mr. S. Columbine), sailed by Mrs. Elliott.

One Design Class (Class Letter D)—1, Ailsa (Mr. J. Grist), sailed by Mrs. Harrison; 2, Daphne (Mr. V. G. Smyth), sailed by Mrs. Hollander.

Hayward Hays Class (Class Letter Y)—1, Ursula (Mr. H. S. Rouse), sailed by Mrs. Rouse.

Gael Class (Class Letter G)—1, Viking (Mr. N. Pullen), sailed by Miss Sorby; 2, Joan (Messrs. J. Bentley and D. Blake), sailed by Miss Coppinger.

Race for Naval Cutters.—The Colombo's cutter did not compete, owing to a man having died on board and the funeral being that day. Only the "Curlew's" cutter sailed.

Four Oars (Scratch Crews)—1, J. S. McCann, Capt. C. S. Dodwell, D. Logan, A. T. Lamplugh and Lieut. R. V. Cobb (cox).
Naval Whalers (six men)—1, H. M. S. "Ambrose," H.M.S. "Curlew." The officials for the day were:—Sailing judge, Mr. H. S. Rouse; Sailing starter, Mr. A. W. van Andel, Time-keeper, Yeoman of Signals Franklin. Rowing judges, Mr. E. W. Carpenter and Mr. W. Logan; Rowing starter, Lieut. Conway Hake, R.N.R.; Clerk of the Course, Mr. T. H. G. Grayfield.

Yesterday there was a cruise to Siak Min, Fu-tan Chau, and a number of interesting races. The party started for home about four o'clock, after a very enjoyable day.

ACTORS' HOTEL DUEL.

SCREAMING WOMAN BETWEEN REVOLVERS.

Two well-known actors have fought a revolver duel in the corridors of an hotel at Prague.

One of them on arrival at the hotel was informed that all the rooms were taken. While speaking to the reception clerk he noticed a letter addressed to a friend, also an actor, who was staying at the hotel, and whom he had not seen for some time, and asked to be shown to his room.

According to the servant who took him up, he entered the room smiling, with outstretched hand, but on seeing a woman seated with his friend he drew a revolver and fired. The woman was his fiancée.

The shot went wide, and the attack of actor snatched a revolver from a drawer and backed into the corridor. The woman rushed between the two men and attempted to separate them, and the hotel manager states that as soon as one fired she would rush to the other screaming.

Finally one of the men fell and the other was overpowered. Both men are stated to be seriously injured, and the actor who was first attacked is not expected to recover. Those who witnessed the fight say that the woman escaped as by a miracle.

later. When we do, we want to feel assured that they "know something" that they can stand on equal terms with others of their own age. To give us this assurance, we want certificated teachers in whom we have confidence. As a parent I can only hope this will catch the eye of the Director of Education so that he may take action. After all British children have to be taught and are equally entitled to certificated teachers as the Chinese.

Yours etc,
A GRIEVED PARENT.

EASTERN BANKS.

MERCHANTS' GRAVE CHARGES.

ALLEGED EXTORTIONATE CHARGES.

A London newspaper per says:—Grave complaints are made by merchants and other doing business with China regarding what they declare to be the extortionate charges made by the Eastern banks. Two illustrations of the situation were placed before us:—

(1) Before the war the Eastern banks charged 1 per cent. above Bank rate for accommodating bills of exchange and drafts. When the Bank rate moved up to 7 per cent. this rate was 8 per cent. The Bank rate is now 5 1/2 per cent., but the Eastern banks' accommodation rate is still 8 per cent. Ninety days' sight bills are in almost universal use. Consider one for £1,000. It takes six weeks to arrive in, say, Shanghai, when it is sighted, then ninety days elapse before it is payable, and then there is the six weeks' return journey, making six months in all. The merchant has to pay at 8 per cent. interest for this period, being 4 per cent. actual on actual invoice value. If banks are to act on old conditions, at present Bank rate only 5 1/2 per cent. actual would be payable, which means that the bank is making 2 per cent. more profit than normally, and the consumer in China is paying 2 per cent. more for his goods than he otherwise would, as the merchant here cannot afford to trade at a loss.

(2) A Chinese merchant sends 1,000 taels worth of goods to London. He draws a draft on London in sterling at the rate of 3s. 9d. per tael, which represents 187.10s. The goods arrive in London and are sold at 187.10s. The proceeds are naturally remitted to the Chinese merchant in taels. The London merchant to pay 1s. 1d. for each tael to remit to China. Therefore, for his 1,000 taels worth of goods the Chinese merchant only receives 918 taels 37 cents. The banks are therefore charging roughly 82 taels per 1,000 for exchange facilities. The Chinese merchant must take this into calculation when estimating his profits. Say he is content to take a 10 per cent. profit on his transaction. He will add a further 8 per cent. (which is roughly what 82 taels per 1,000 is) on his price.

SOME REASONS.

Inquires among the banks concerned elicited the following replies:—
1. This is a matter that needs adjusting, but owing to disagreement among the interests concerned the rate has become more or less stabilized. Apparently there is no real justification, and it is obviously the duty of the banks to get together promptly and return to normal working.
2. The margin between the exchange rates in London and China is certainly greater than it used to be, but seldom so wide as in the illustration, varying between 1d. and 3d. It is justified on the ground of the rising price of silver and the risks attendant in these days on trade with China.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

NOTICES OF STEAMERS.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" arrived at Shanghai on Oct. 28 (10.30 p.m.) leaves there Oct. 29 (6 p.m.) and is due at Manila on Nov. 1 (8 a.m.).
The N.Y.K. S.S. "Tango Maru" (a Japanese liner) left Sydney for Hongkong on Nov. 17.
The N.Y.K. S.S. "Yokohama Maru" (European Line) left London for this port via Suez on Oct. 10, and is expected here on Nov. 18.

The K. & A. S.S. "Eastera" sailed from Sydney on Saturday last on Oct. 29 and is due to arrive here via Suez and Manila on Nov. 21.
The P. & O. S.S. "Nellie" left London on Oct. 13 and is expected to arrive at Hongkong about Nov. 22.

The Huddell-Castle Line S.S. "Bowen Castle" sailed from New York on Sept. 22, via Panama Canal and is expected to arrive here towards the end of November. The N.Y.K. S.S. "Akagi" (a Japanese liner) left London for this port via Suez on Oct. 18 and is expected here on Nov. 27.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Cargo from the S.S. "Toori Maru" not cleared by Nov. 3 will be subject to rent. Damaged cargo will be examined on Nov. 2. Agents—Java-China-Japan Line.

Cargo from the N.Y.K. S.S. "Kaga Maru" not cleared by Nov. 4 will be subject to rent. Damaged cargo will be examined on Tuesday and Friday. Agents—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

Cargo from the S.S. "Sagami Maru" not cleared by Nov. 7 will be subject to rent. Damaged cargo will be examined on Nov. 5. Agents—Toyo Kisen Kaisha.

Cargo from the S.S. "Ayu" not cleared by Nov. 6 will be subject to rent. Damaged cargo will be examined at 10 a.m. on Nov. 4. Agents—T. & J. Dixon, Inc.

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WEATHER REPORT.

October 31st. 11h. 42m.—Pressure has decreased considerably over N. E. Japan the depression having moved to the south of Nemuro. It has increased slightly over S. China under the influence of the anticyclone, which has spread southward from the Philippines to Guam it has decreased slightly.

Fr-sh monsoon will continue along the S.E. coast of China, and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 6.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 91.01 inches. Average of 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.53 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on Oct. 31 or 29:
—Hongkong to (N. E. coast of N. E. winds, fresh to strong, clearing; N. E. winds, fresh to strong, clearing; N. E. winds, fresh to strong, clearing.

—Formosa Channel. N. E. winds, strong; S. E. winds, fresh to strong, clearing; S. E. winds, fresh to strong, clearing.

—South coast of China between Swatow and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY,

HONGKONG.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

OCTOBER 31, 1921.—a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Direction.	Force.	Weather.
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Venore	5 a.	29.47	—	—	—	—	—
Alakodale	—	30.48	—	—	—	—	—
Tokio	—	29.45	—	—	—	—	—
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Yokohama	—	30.46	—	—	—	—	—
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